

Council shake-up: treasurer resigns

By GIOIA De BLASIO
and
JILL SCHULTZ
Editors

Associated Student Body President Roger Smith and Treasurer Alan Seiffert were both declared ineligible to hold a student government office this semester following an ineligibility check by the Office of Student Affairs.

The decision regarding Smith's qualifications, which was based on an outdated Los Angeles Community College

District (LACCD) regulation, was later reversed, therefore Roger Smith is still ASB president.

The current administrative regulations of LACCD, section E-22, dated July 1, 1981, state that a "student officer must be

actively and continuously enrolled, attending, and successfully completing classes in a minimum of nine units, with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0"

Howard Fink college Fiscal Advisor, who discovered a technicality stated that because Smith was elected before July 1, 1981, the current E-22 does not apply in Smith's case as the

fice of Student Affairs originally concluded.

The E-22 that applies to Smith's term is dated May 28, 1979. The only difference between the previous and current regulations is that the word "successfully" is not included in the regulation which applies to Smith.

"The violations of E-22 are not criminal, but they are confidential," stated Coordinator of Stu-

dent Affairs Ray Folloso.

In a sequence of events following the announcement of Smith's ineligibility, an emergency session of the Executive Council was called last Friday afternoon.

During the meeting it was confirmed that Vice President Steven Llanusa would officially become the ASB president following Smith's resignation on Monday.

At the meeting, Executive Council agreed that changing presidents halfway through term was like "swapping horses in the middle of a stream" and therefore, plans were designed to reinstate Smith to the presidency, according to Folloso.

The first step in the plan, which was submitted to district lawyers for approval, was to appoint Smith as acting vice presi-

dent, until the election for that office on March 9.

If Smith was elected vice president, an agreement was made that President Steven Llanusa would resign from that office, and Smith would again be president.

Smith would then, according to the plan, appoint Steven Llanusa as acting vice president until the election on March 23.

If Smith had lost the election for the office of vice president, Llanusa would have remained president.

"Executive Council is concerned that the students will think that they are being underhanded," Smith said.

"There are no tricks. They are following the rules," Folloso added.

"I just wish this whole thing had never happened. It is my

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CISPES members present "Guerilla Theatre" for classes

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Editors

To raise student awareness of the current political situation in El Salvador and to promote the teach-in held in Monarch Hall last night, "Guerilla Theatre" was staged this week by the Committee in Solidarity with the People in El Salvador (CISPES).

Following a pre-arranged schedule, four CISPES members, carrying signs, walked into classrooms in silent protest.

One of the protesters was dressed as a nun, her hands symbolically bound in chains, while the other three were dressed in military fatigue, complete with boots and helmets. All four wore face masks resembling skulls.

CISPES members stated that the military uniforms are symbolic of the increasing United States involvement in El Salvador. The nun costume served as a reminder of the ruthless rape and murder of three

American nuns and one layman. Six Salvadoran military personnel have been accused and are presently being held for those crimes, stated another CISPES member.

One sign, carried by the protesters, stated that "60 percent of the Salvadoran people are illiterate, and 50 percent of the

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children die of malnutrition before their fifth birthday."

While another sign quoted former U.S. ambassador to El Salvador, Robert White, "The Salvadoran military is one of the most out-of-control, blood thirsty groups of men in the world."

According to Kim Jones, of CISPES, student reaction ranged from "nervous" laughter and shock, to outrage.

At the Executive Council meeting on Tuesday, student David Tullanian expressed his outrage, stating that the protesters, "disrupted the educa-

tional process" and demanded a formal apology from one member of council who was involved in the protest.

CISPES and this council member, according to Tullanian, neglected to get clearance to protest in the cafeteria from the cafeteria manager.

Ray Folloso, coordinator of student affairs, stated that CISPES followed the correct procedures, however, CISPES hadn't realized that they needed the cafeteria managers' clearance, and immediately apologized for the error.

In response to Tullanian's comments, Associate Student Body Vice President Steven Llanusa said that "there are times when the members of this body are allowed to be just students."

CISPES hopes to continue the "Guerrilla Theater" throughout the semester, because, as Allison Anders of CISPES describes it, "It is one of the most effective ways to inform people of the current situation in El Salvador."



IMAGE OF DEATH Members of CISPES, the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador add impact to their position by wearing skull masks and military fatigues. Star Photo By NAN GENIT

Boycott urged

Ex-official blasts Nestles

By GIOIA De BLASIO
Managing Editor

The worldwide Nestles boycott was the topic of a lecture given at Hill recently by Eugene "Tony" Babb, a former senior official of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Nestles "aggressively" promotes their infant formula in Third World countries, according to Babb. "Milk Nurses," who wear uniforms but who are not trained, make frequent visits to hospitals with offerings of free samples of their product to mothers of new born infants.

"The fact that they promote their product as being the 'modern' way to feed infants has caused thousands of mothers in underdeveloped countries to stop breastfeeding."

"Breastfeeding," he continued, "is without question the best form of nutrition for infants. It contains antibodies to help fight off disease."

"In the United States, bottle feeding used to be considered fashionable, but the trend is turning. At one time, approximately 80 percent of all infants were bottlefed. Now it has dropped to 55 percent."

Babb cites the sanitary conditions in the underdeveloped countries as a large contributing factor to the infant mortality rate. "Often times the water is contaminated and it's difficult to store, mix, and feed without giving germs."

"The formula is an expensive commodity and when the free samples, provided by Nestles, run out, the mother will buy more of the formula, then dilute the product to make it go fur-

ther." Babb considers this to be "one of the most serious health problems in the world today. One hundred million infants die each year in Third World countries. Ten percent of these die before reaching their first birthday, and approximately one million deaths are attributed to baby bottle disease each year."

"The Nestles boycott has been very effective, but it needs to be continued," he said, reminding the small crowd that Nestles annual income is greater than the GNP (Gross National Product) of most countries.

According to Babb, hearings on this problem were held in

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Campus club co-sponsors rally for ERA ratification campaign

By MIKE BRAILER
Associate Editor

The Campus Alliance for the ERA (Equal Rights Amendment) and the National Organization for Women (NOW) held a rally for the ERA Wednesday, Feb. 17, at room in Monarch Square, in an attempt to raise funds and support for NOW in the last five months of the ERA ratification campaign before the June 30 deadline.

Jerilyn Stapleton, Alliance president and the rally's organizer, spoke along with Cooper Zale, vice president of the Los Angeles NOW chapter, Laurie Taylor, ERA issues chairperson for the L.A. chapter.

Also speaking were Sylvia Lubow, LAVC history professor, and Michael Vivian, associate

professor of sociology.

Bob May, Coalition president, said that he did not claim to be a sponsor of the rally, as reported, but, rather, that he supported it.

"Only five votes stand between us and ERA ratification," said Zale, referring to legislators in the six, including Florida, Illinois, Georgia, and Missouri, states targeted by NOW for its lobbying efforts. He claimed that these legislators were voting "against their constituencies," and that the majority of voters in states yet to ratify support the amendment.

While California ratified the ERA on Nov. 13, 1979, the L.A. NOW chapter has continued a vigorous campaign to raise funds and support for NOW workers in the target states. Speakers urged the audience to

volunteer their time to the L.A. chapter or join the "Message Brigade," NOW's letter-writing campaign.

Lubow said that while religious groups, such as the Moral Majority, pose the most visible threat to the ERA, business and industry also oppose the amendment.

"Industry thrives on sex discrimination," she said, citing the 59 cent wage gap NOW claims exists between men and women in the job market.

Blacks on campus noted in Black History Month

By MARSHA STEWART
Staff Writer

February is Black History Month. Therefore, it seems only appropriate to look at the history of Blacks on campus.

The overall student population in Fall 1981, according to Dr. Fred Machetanz, Coordinator of Research and Affirmative Action Representative, was about 26,000. About 6.8%, or 2,000 were Black.

In addition of the 1,031 employees in December, there were 60 Blacks.

Their positions ranged from maintenance to administrative, including nine full time instructional staff members, and more than 25 maintenance workers.

Throughout the years Blacks have taught various subjects, from French to Computer Science.

However, it wasn't until the hiring of Owen Fraser, professor of mathematics, in 1962, that the campus received its first full time Black instructor.

He recalls, "During that time there were roughly 6,000 students. And maybe 3 percent of them were Black."

Billy Reed, counselor, remembers Valley prior to that time. Of his days as a student here, he states there were very few Blacks. He explained, "Everyone kind of stayed to himself."

In 1969 Reed returned to the campus as the first Black coach. He said that he was well received by the students and recalls no problems.

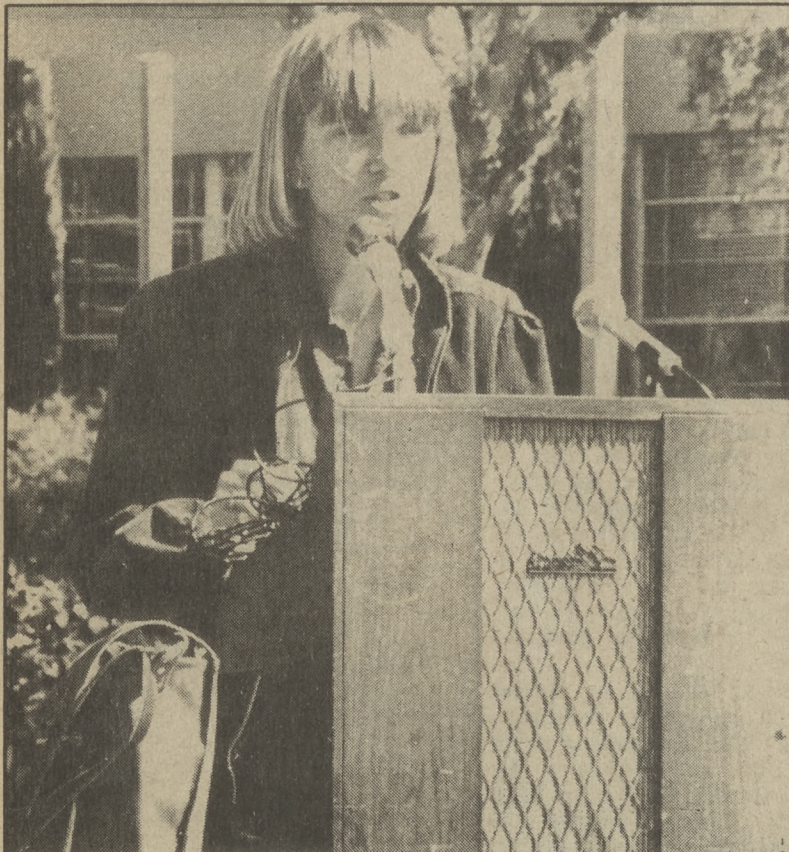
"As a matter of fact," he added, "some of the guys still keep in touch."

"Do people make history or does history 'make' people?"

This is a question sometimes heard in the classes of Barbara Stoffer, Afro American Studies instructor. She then gives an example of a group of Black students from Valley College who sought her out while she was attending UCLA.

They expressed their desire for her to apply for her current position.

Stoffer stressed, "The Blacks of today will determine the destiny of Black people 100 years from today. Blacks should keep that in mind."



EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT-The Campus Alliance for the ERA along with the National Organization for women held a rally Wednesday which featured speaker Laurie Taylor. Star Photo By ALICE LOPEZ

Motion grants trustee monetary compensation

By DAVID P. SCHAMUS
Editor-In-Chief

A motion granting monetary compensation to the student trustee, without granting additional responsibilities, was adopted by the board of trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) last week.

The motion, amended several times, establishes a \$250 per month stipend for the student member of the board.

The original motion, drafted by student trustee Roy Colotti, proposed that the student member be granted the right to move and second motions, attend most normally closed executive sessions of the board, and be compensated at the rate of \$100 per month.

Elected board members are paid \$1,000 per month for attending both regularly scheduled meetings of the board.

Recent changes in state law, as established in Assembly Bill 1369 (AB-1369) allow individual districts the option of implementing additional rights to the student trustee.

Aurthur Bronson, a voting board member, explained that the motion could have changed the student member's legal responsibilities. "Board members have been sued as in-

dividuals. As a student trustee, I would not want to be in that type of vulnerable position," said Bronson.

While Bronson opposed allowing the student member the right to move and second motions and attend executive sessions of the board, he favored compensating the student member. "Remuneration was fair and fitting," he said.

"We have yet to fail to put in a motion requested by the student trustee," said Bronson who noted that it would not be realistic to allow a non-voting member the right to second a motion.

Board members who voted in favor of allowing the student member the right to move and second motions were Marguerite Jackson Archie, Harold Garvin, and Dr. Rick Tuttle. Archie and Tuttle also voted in favor of allowing the student trustee to attend most executive sessions of the board. Both of these motions, however, failed to pass.

GRADUATION PETITIONS DUE

The deadline for filing petitions for Spring '82 graduation is tomorrow at 4 p.m. Petitions are available in the Administration Building, Rm. 127.

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AFT fights status quo

Beginning on March 1, the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) will formally open negotiations with the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) for a comprehensive pay increase for 1982-83.

The salary package proposal being presented to the district is quite extensive. Along with the overall 18 percent salary increase and a quarterly Los Angeles - Long Beach Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment, the union is also calling for increases in doctoral differentials, and salary warrants (paychecks) every two weeks instead of every four.

According to Guild Executive Secretary Virginia Mulrooney, over half of the district's teachers are part-time. Because the current salaries are so disproportionate to the actual work being performed, it is the AFT's contention that they, along with child care workers and hourly rate faculty members are subsidizing students, education in the district.

The district's position, according to Ernest Marino, coordinator of staff rela-

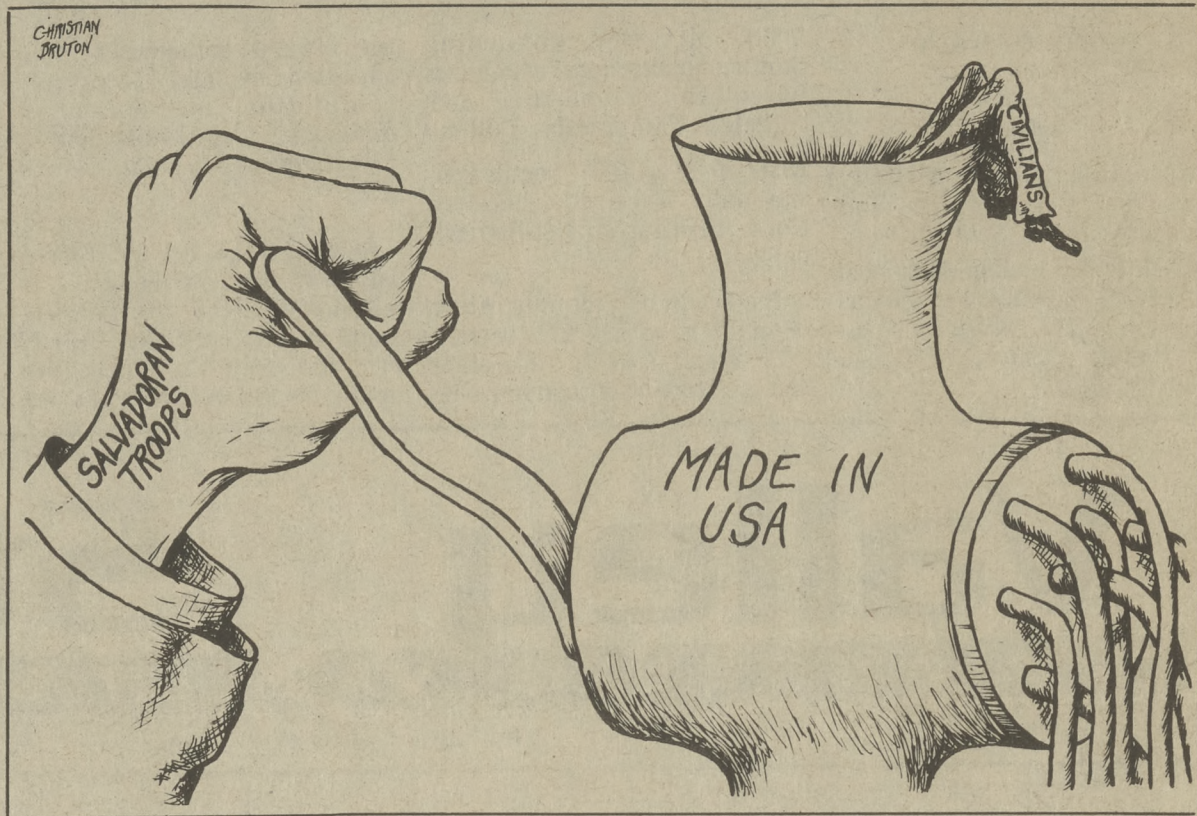
tions, and member of the district's bargaining committee is "status quo."

"It's as if they want to be paid on a bi-weekly basis," Marino said.

The bargaining will focus primarily on salary and cost-of-living adjustments. The conflict has created some confusion due to the union already receiving it's ten percent increase for the past year, as guaranteed by the total comprehensive three year package agreed on up to July 1983.

The increase the teachers have received is not included for the next year, as is the remainder of the total three year package. According to the AFT, the original accepted package did not even keep up with the rate of inflation. According to Virginia Mulrooney, the district is paying for student education through the pockets of it's teachers.

Star feels that the AFT has taken a bold step, and supports the union's attempts to "protect and improve" district employees current standard of living.



CANDY COATED DEATH

Crunch Nestles, quik!

By GIOIA De BLASIO
Managing Editor

Thousands of babies will die this year because of the greed of one giant conglomerate.

And unfortunately, a great number of consumers are still unaware of the world-wide Nestles boycott.

Critics charge that Nestles uses "flagrantly unethical marketing practices" in promoting their infant formula, which is responsible for the deaths of thousands of infants in Third World countries each year.

In order to create the impression that artificial feeding is more healthful than breast-feeding, Nestles sends "milk

nurses" to hospitals in underdeveloped countries, complete with "educational" products and free samples of their product to mothers of new born infants, according to the Infant Formula Action Coalition (INFAC).

Since sterilization techniques are virtually nonexistent in underdeveloped countries, the formula is often diluted with contaminated river water, and the baby bottles rarely meet adequate standards of sterilization.

"Some mothers will stretch the formula from a tablespoon to a quart . . . just enough to give it a white color," according to Dr. Nicholas Cunningham, a pediatrician who has spent a

great deal of time working in West Africa.

"It's like giving a stick of dynamite, a barrel of high grade petrol, and a large matchstick to your children to play with, and saying 'please be careful!' This is the way we look at artificial feeding," Dr. E.M. Samba, director of medical services for Gambia and member of INFAC, recently stated.

It has now been a decade since health officials began warning that a trend away from breastfeeding was developing in Third World countries, and that the increase of artificial feeding would, in turn, result in dehydration, malnutrition, and death.

A recent report from the Brookings Institute states that in Singapore, for example, 80 percent of all three-month-old babies were breastfed in 1951, compared to only five percent in 1975.

As consumers, it is up to us to crunch Nestles, and quik!

Nestles product include: Nestles Quik, Nestles Crunch, Nescafe, Nestea, Tasters Choice, Libbys, Stouffers, Soup-time, Swiss Knight Cheese, Berlinger Wines, Beech Nut baby foods, DeCaf, Crosse and Blackwell products, Deer Park Mountain Spring Water, Crawford products, Los Hermanos Wines, Sunrise, Maggi products, Lancome, Kavli Crispbread, Mc Vities, and L'Oreal products.

Certain Nestles products are currently being sold in the campus bookstore and in the Recreation Room.

Think about it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Abolish ASB?

Editor,

I'll tell you, it (deleted) burns me up. Every time I open the Star there is another accounting of the latest (deleted) away of ASB funds by ASB officers or Council. Only this time it wasn't the usual farce; you know . . . sky divers and Beverly Hills banquets.

No. This time the money never left ASB. Instead it went right straight into the pockets of the officers of ASB. Steven Llanusa, blaming Star for not publicizing the ASB Scholarship fund, from which he has perpetrated eight hundred dollars, is like Nixon blaming the Post for you know what.

Llanusa, if YOU want more people (which you obviously don't) to know about the ASB Scholarship, that's your job, not the Star's!

If you are a volunteer, the only compensation that you should receive is that pat on the back that you give yourself for a job, hopefully, well done. If you want a job, get one, but don't rationalize, in print no less, your personal indiscretions.

Also, I will not tolerate your name calling toward the Star.

These words ("self serving," "hypocritical") could very easily apply to ASB officers. An example is Matt Abrams "self serving" letter, to which I would add petty!

If it were not for the Star's diligence, all you bozos (yes, this is name calling) would be wearing alligators on your chests, Porsches on your nose, tanks on your wrists, and Rolls Royces underfoot. Courtesy, of course, of the student body.

Times do change. Toffler will tell you that. And institutions do not or can not always change to follow the times, circumstance, or condition.

ASB no longer serves anyone but it's own. Let ASB be abolished! Let the District/college hire a paid professor to administrator/disperse any and all accruals or revenues for the general benefit of the student

body.
This means academics, pardon!

ELLIOT SOLOMON
Engineering Major

Welcome!

Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to greet all our students new to this college, wishing them the very best of educational experiences while on our campus, and passing on to them some observations by a professor who is ready to close out his teaching career.

Are you willing to work up to the level expected of college students? And are you willing to sacrifice your own personal "hang-ups" so that this college may function properly? Remember, wiser heads than yours have decided what is relevant in the educational curriculum, and we are wise to keep up with the changing times. Every assignment has a purpose; do it, even though at the time it does not seem interesting or to fit your purpose. After all, not everything you do on your job is all excitement and fun.

Attend every class session, take part in class discussions and activities, and turn in assignments on time. NEVER, on your return from a (necessary) absence, ask an instructor if anything important happened in class while you were away! Professors spend many hours outside of class to prepare the lesson; every class session is important.

Behave as an educated person; there should be something a bit distinctive about a college student: a refinement in speech; a maturity in dress and manners. College students are more likely to exercise leadership in society, in government and in business than those who never reached college, so prepare yourselves for that leadership, and act like leaders!

After all, education is learning to use the tools which society has found to be indispensable. So learn how to use those tools!

Study. Think. Develop a

"questing spirit." Most important of all, know "why" you are doing your assignments. To quote King Solomon: "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore, get wisdom. But with all your getting, get understanding." (Proverbs 4:7)

Welcome to Valley College.

RICHARD HENDRICKS
Professor of history
and Political Science

Concerned

Editor,

I'm a black student on this campus, and an very concerned about the mutual awareness of the vital aspects of the different ethnic groups.

This month is Black History Month, and I haven't seen any article in the paper that offers the students of this college an opportunity to be knowledgeable of the significance and contributions the Blacks have made to this country. May I remind you that your paper is the main source of information, not a source of bias.

Please consider this letter an opening to your awareness and not to demean your paper.

ALNULFO ALDRIDGE

Inaccuracies

Editor,

Sabra Kyle's article on Barry Kohn's appearance at LAVC which appeared in the February 18th Star was nicely written and appreciated, but contained a number of inaccuracies.

Firstly, the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Students Coalition did not "co-sponsor" ERA Awareness Week as was asserted in the article, though as I told Ms. Kyle, we did and do support such efforts.

Secondly, neither did the SH/E Center co-sponsor the ERA events, as was implied in the article. In fact, ERA Awareness Week was planned and run entirely and solely by the Campus Alliance for the ERA which currently meets Fridays at noon in CC 200A.

Thirdly, I was misquoted by Ms. Kyle in the case of our ac-

ALL BY HIMSELF

Dying of loneliness

By JILL SCHULTZ
News Editor

All by himself.

I visualize my friend Randy sitting alone late at night in his dark, empty room, crying those all too familiar yet self-inflicted tears. His sobs echo his pain because again he feels so terribly and desperately alone.

And I ache as I watch solitude engulf Randy and his activities at Valley. He routinely studies alone, eats alone, and walks alone. I imagine that he sits far apart from the others in his classes, again isolating himself from people.

Randy, who is in his late twenties, is bright, talented, and most recently, suicidal.

Well, maybe not by suicide but

tion in opposition to the Family Protection Act. Though many strategies are being considered, none, including the petition drive mentioned in the article, have been decided upon or initiated.

Despite these flaws and the inconveniences they caused, we can't help but thank the Star and its reporters for their continuing sympathetic support of our presence and activities on campus.

Sincerely,
BOB MAY

Co-chairperson;
Gay, Lesbian, and

Bisexual Students Coalition

I do see Randy dying.

Dying of loneliness.

His only companions are the empty beer bottles that litter his truck.

And, little by little I see Randy fading away. Disappearing because he never takes the time to stop and talk to other people.

Randy is unsure of how to meet people, unsure of how to approach them. So, hides from people, afraid of their rejection.

Randy has spent years erecting walls to alienate people. It is now time for those walls to be rebuilt into windows, and it is time for Randy to feel wanted.

If Randy were to introduce himself to one person in every class this semester, then perhaps joined in a conversation while at the cafeteria, and asked someone to attend a campus event with him, then maybe he would find himself with a few friends.

With over 26,000 students attending this campus, there has got to be two or three potential friends for Randy. I would like to urge all students and faculty to allow one person to enter their life this semester, even if that only consists of sharing a lunch break.

And maybe Randy, and all the lonely students like him, will be able to enjoy the laughter, warmth, and growth that is involved when friends get together.

LETTERS

The Valley Star is happy to receive and publish letters from its readers.

Star reserves the right to condense all letters for space consideration. Submitted letters should be limited to 350 words. Letters are subject to editing that are obscene, libelous or make racial, ethnic or religious denigrations.

Letters should be signed, and, if applicable, should include student's major and ID number. Letters may be presented in the Valley Star office, Business-Journalism 114, by 11 a.m. Monday for the following Thursday.



Valley professors set sights against increased gun crimes

By JANINE PACKER
Staff Writer

Professors for Handgun Sanitation, a committee comprised of approximately 50 LAVC teachers is participating in creating on campus support for the handgun control initiative.

According to John Buchanan of the Speech Department, the Committee was organized on Jan. 5, 1982, when they had their first interaction. The committee headed by Buchanan, who is also a speaker for California Coalition for Handgun Control, has demonstrated their support by donating \$90 for a paid ad in the

Valley Star. They are also instrumental in writing signed letters of support.

Buchanan's reason for starting the committee was, "I think it's uncivilized of Americans to tolerate the existence of 50 million handguns, 4 million in the state of California alone. Enough for one handgun to every five people, including men, women, and children." Buchanan estimates that 100 teachers on campus are sympathetic to their cause and that the showing of the film, "The American Handgun War" will serve as an attempt to enlighten

the students to the importance of the initiative.

According to Buchanan the Chief of Police on campus has confiscated three handguns from students on campus. Buchanan said, "How safe are we knowing that there are students who to go classes, and on campus places such as the cafeteria with handguns? How many unbalanced crazy people do we have in our midst?"

Buchanan said the possession of handguns by criminals is the problem. "Criminals steal the guns used in the majority of gun related crimes. They steal them from the homes of upright citizens who have them for protection." Buchanan believes that if the number of handguns was limited, they would then be less available to burglars.

It is Buchanan's contention that, "We have too many guns, and that if we forbid the sales of more handguns which are easily concealable, it will reduce the amount of handguns." Buchanan explained that the L.A. County Sheriff destroys mass amounts of guns every year, "they destroyed six tons of guns in 1980, 3,500 were handguns." Buchanan feels that with the halt of sales and the an-

nual destruction of guns confiscated from criminals there would be a dramatic drop in the amount of handguns.

Buchanan cites results of legislation in Massachusetts which the California initiative is patterned after to support his claim. "Two years after the Massachusetts Gun Control Law was passed, there were 55 percent fewer handgun-related homicides. Gun crimes were reduced significantly after the initiation of the law."

According to Buchanan the only way to get this law in California is through the initiative process. "Lawmakers in this state are scared and terrorized by the National Rifle Association, a very powerful and influential organization," said Buchanan. "They are afraid that if they pass any law restricting the sale or possession of guns they will get kicked out of office."

said, Buchanan. Buchanan hopes that students will attend the two showings of the film, "The American Handgun War with James Whitmore," where there will be guest speakers. Expected speakers will include an actor from the TV show Mash, Harry Nilsson, and a well known rock singer friend of John Lennon, and a speaker from "Californians against street crime and concealed weapons." The film will show today at 11 a.m. in Chem. 100 and Friday, Feb. 26, at 11 a.m. in Behavioral Sc. 100.

Community services has tear gas class

By ROBERT WEAVER
Staff Writer

The rising incidence of crime has prompted Community Services to offer a tear gas training class at Valley College on March 1 at 1 p.m.

Dr. Ronald Vitale is teaching the course which will cover the use and misuse of tear gas as a self-defense weapon. The laws relating to use and possession will also be featured.

Dr. Vitale, a policeman with the San Fernando Police Department, has been in law enforcement since 1973. He has a doctorate in Law and AA degrees in Business and Police Science.

When Vitale first began teaching the classes, many people had misconceptions.

"Most people really didn't associate tear gas with public use," Vitale said. "Tear gas is a limited-use, self-defense weapon."

Attendance at such a program is required by the State of California in order to obtain a permit to purchase and carry a defensive tear gas weapon. Certificates will be available upon successful completion of the workshop.

The fee for the two hour class is \$10. That includes the State of California Tear Gas Training Certificate. It does not include the cost of a tear gas canister.

The class is open to the general public, but participants

must be at least 18 years old.

California is the largest market for tear gas. About 18 months ago it became a booming business, due to increase community interest.

"I really think that it's effective," Vitale said. "Better than being armed with nothing. It has always worked for me."

Vitale said that the tear gas training offered at Valley is very reasonably priced. Classes offered off campus can run from \$15 to \$25.

"Valley College absorbs alot of the cost," Vitale said.

The average cost of tear gas is about \$10 per canister. Coupled with the cost of the training, that amounts to \$20 for the whole program.

"You can't beat that," said Vitale. "Valley College is the place to take it."

The course is offered through the Senior Adult Program.

Bobbie Boulton, project manager for Senior Adult, said a previous class, held Feb. 1, was very successful. The attendance was "all we wanted to handle." But she said that demand for the training has fallen off.

"People were very scared about a year ago," Boulton said. "Things have calmed down. I don't see any frantic rush to take the class."

For registration and further information on tear gas training, call 988-7371.

Technicality prevents ouster of ASB officer

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hope that the students will see it as Roger, myself, and the Executive Council doing what is best for the Associated Student Body," Vice President Llanusa said.

Seiffert, the only Executive Council member to be declared ineligible, could still apply for



ROGER SMITH

the position of treasurer, but chose not to apply because it would "not be fair to both the students and the organization."

In his written resignation, Seiffert urged Executive Council to continue to support programs such as the funding of the Learning Center weekend hours; a concentration of funds and energies into campus oriented programs and activities rather than off campus activities; an increase in the amount of student participation in regards to both the 1982-1983 ASB Budget as well as campus events; and, the proposed Academic Calendar change, which he coordinated.

"I guess it's no secret that Alan and I didn't get along, but I'm still very disappointed for the sake of ASB. Alan did an adequate job as treasurer and was innovative as chairman of finance," said Llanusa.

"Executive Council needs to organize themselves more effectively. This entire semester Steven (Llanusa) and I went through battle after battle. It was ridiculous. We should have had better communication," Seiffert said.

The Executive Council would like to announce the position of treasurer is available, and the responsibilities of that position include conducting the finance committee meetings and keeping up to date financial records.

Other available offices include the commissioner of elections, commissioner of campus improvements, and commissioner of Jewish studies. Derek Swafford was recently elected commissioner of Black ethnic studies, and Leila De La Pena was elected commissioner of Chicano studies.

"I am relieved. I feel like I've been brought back to life. I'm glad that all of this nonsense is over so we can continue business as usual," President Smith said.

The last ASB president to be declared ineligible for office was Richard Cowsill in Fall, '79.



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News Notes

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Campus Alliance for the ERA needs volunteers to circulate petitions and staff tables. The club Meets every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in CC200A.

SKI CLUB MEETS

The Ski Lions, Valley's ski club, invites you to their weekly meetings every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in CC212.

WORKSHOP FOR STRESS

A stress workshop, "Thing You Can Really Do," will be held today at 11 a.m. in H100. The workshop is sponsored by the ski club. For more information, contact Ray Folloso ext. 243.

HILLEL CONDUCTS FUND CAMPAIGN

Hillel of LAVC is now conducting the Campus United Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign. Students are called to pledge money for humanitarian needs of Jewish communities throughout the world. For more information call 994-7443.

FILM TO BE SHOWN

The film, "Kinsy 3: The Bisexual Experience," will be shown as part of a discussion of bisexuality at the meeting of the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Students Coalition on Thursday, Feb. 25, at 11 a.m. in CC203.

DANCE CLUB MEETS

LAVCS Dance Club meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to noon in the dance studio. All interested students welcomed.

LIFE IN ISRAEL

Meet with Uri Eshel, who will discuss life in Israel and answer questions, Tuesday, March 2 at 11 a.m. in H101.

STUDENT BODY SENATE MEETS

The Student Body Senate will have a meeting this Thursday, Feb. 25, at non in CC104. Official roll call will begin at this meeting. Absences will count against clubs.

EARTH SCIENCE LECTURES

The Earth Science Department presents the Spring '82 lecture Science Department presents the Spring '82 Lecture Series. Seven lectures are schedule and will be presented throughout the Spring semester. Students are invited to attend. For more information contact Richard M. Raskoff, ext. 330.

FINANCIAL AID BOOKLETS

A pamphlet, "The Student Guide: Five Federal Financial Aid Programs," contains information regarding the various types of federal assistance available to students. A free copy of the pamphlet can be obtained by calling Congressman Beilenson's Valley office at 345-1560.

EDUCATIONAL AND GROWTH WORKSHOPS

Education and Growth Workshops, sponsored by the California Association of Marriage, Family, and Child Therapists, will be held Saturday, March 6, at Valley. For more information call Joel Bogeberg 986-4656.

RAP-SOCIAL POTLUCK

A Rap-Social Potluck sponsored by the S/He Center is scheduled for tomorrow at 8 p.m. and Saturday at noon. For more information call 873-3700.

LOANS AVAILABLE

Guaranteed student loans at 9 percent interest are available to eligible students who need financial assistance during the current academic year. Students interested should come to the Financial Aid Office for applications by March 1.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

Applications for several scholarships are due soon in the Financial Aid Office. The scholarships include: Patrons Association, Essie Elliot home economics, and the UCLA Alumni Association. For information contact the Financial Aids Office. The amounts, deadlines, and requirements for these scholarships vary.

REGISTRATION WITH SELECTIVE SERVICE

If you were born in 1960, '61, '62, or '63, and are a male citizen, you should have already registered with Selective Service. However, there is a grace period for late registration without penalty in effect through Feb. 28, 1982. You may register at any U.S. Post Office.

TRAVEL STUDY ORIENTATION

An orientation on college credit travel study classes will be presented by Los Angeles Community College instructors Wednesday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. in Monarch Hall. For more information call 621-2401.

ALLIANCE FOR SURVIVAL MEETS

The LAVC chapter of the Alliance for Survival will meet on Tuesday from 11 a.m. to noon. Topics will be the arms race and nuclear power. For more information call Patrick Hazlett at 845-9080.

TRAVEL STUDY BROCHURES

Brochures describing spring vacations and summer session travel study classes are now available. For more information call 621-2401.

CISPES materials sabotaged by vandals

Opposition to the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador's (CISPES) presentation on the involvement of the U.S. in Central America took the form of unauthorized posters boldly stating that the presentation had been cancelled.

The posters, photo copies of the CISPES flyer, contained a large bold-face inscription stating that the presentation was "CANCELLED."

Kim Jones, ASB Senate representative for CISPES, noted that the posters did not bear the office of student affairs

stamp authorizing them for distribution on campus.

Jones notes that the bogus posters were first seen on campus late Tuesday evening, but the identity of the person(s) involved was not known.

Michael Vivian, professor of sociology, stayed at Valley until nearly midnight Tuesday preparing a statement explaining the misinformation. "This is an outrage to all students," said Vivian adding that he hoped that the phony posters would have no effect upon attendance at the presentation.

... Nestle boycott

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Congress in 1977, and it was decided that the World Health Organization (WHO) should deal with the problem. In 1980, WHO came up with a code of marketing which would limit promotion of infant formulas in Third World countries.

The following year delegations from 119 countries met in Geneva to vote on the code. The vote was 118 to one; The United States casting the only opposing vote.

Babb, who was a member of the U.S. delegation, resigned in protest of the U.S. position. At the time, he was in charge of 150 projects in 60 countries, with a budget authority of \$250 million.

Babb claims that the final decision was made by four people, including Richard V. Allen, former National Security Council Advisor, and Edwin Meese. "To my knowledge, the President didn't know about it until after it happened."

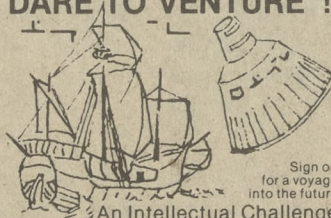
"I am a strong advocate of the free enterprise system, but I feel companies should be required to behave responsibly."

Ken Richards, director of the Nestles boycott for Southern California and member of the In-

terfaith Hunger Coalition, was also on hand to remind the 20 students who attended the lecture that there are many companies owned by Nestles, including: Tasters Choice, Libbys, Stoffers, Swiss Knight Cheese, Lancome, L'Oreal and, of course, Nestles Crunch and Nestles Quik, to name a few.

The lecture was sponsored by the Campus Ministry and Hillel Foundation, and was arranged by Rabbi Jerry Goldstein and Bud Day.

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TELEPATHY a projection of our minds extending into our surroundings, is explained in "Driver," a new novel by Pat Winter.

Star Photo By MARIELLA ROTONDI

'Missing's' politics depicts frustration

By KEVIN UHRICH
City Editor

Impact! "Missing," starring Jack Lemmon and Sissy Spacek, is a movie where virtually every scene reinforces the despair, the frustration, the anger that envelops the search for a missing son and husband in a fascist Latin American country.

Lemmon plays Edward Horman, the father of an inquisitive journalist living in Chile during the implied overthrow of the socialist government of Salvador Allende.

After the arrest and total disappearance of his son Charlie, Spacek, Charlie's wife, contacts Lemmon, a New York industrialist with considerable political clout.

Depicting martial law in its harshest terms, executions, curfews, the elimination of all individual rights, one is impressed by an attempt to appall.

Throughout the movie, the sound of gunfire prevents conversations, interrupts lunches, and sends people off the street cowering into corners.

The only ones not to react to the bedlam are the diplomatic and military personnel representing the 3000 American companies operating out of Chile, and supposedly helping to find the missing man.

The in-law relationship between Lemmon and Spacek demonstrates the polarity between perceptions and acceptances of American covert military activity in foreign countries. Lemmon is content in his chosen conservative lifestyle, and blindly defends the United States at every chance.

Claiming that she should appreciate "our way of life, and a damn good one at that," Lemmon's support of any and all American military participation is unwavering.

Even after his gradual acceptance of his son's death and the rapidly deteriorating belief in American denials to the fact, all he really wants is the body of his son, dead or alive. After repeated pleas for help, the American Embassy still doesn't produce forcing Lemmon and Spacek to search independently. Their investigation, due mainly to Lemmon's corporate ties, leads them to the teasingly obvious truth that his son was arrested and executed.

When Lemmon finally comes to grips with the reality of his son's death, he confronts the senior American Military Officer in Chile. While the officer staunchly rationalizes that the United States "protecting a way of life, and a damn good one at that," Lemmon's own summation of American society hauntingly comes to mind.

As the officer bluntly tells Lemmon at the end, "If it wasn't your son, you'd be at home watching television, totally detached from what's happening here." Lemmon's exhausted, sagging, search-worn face testifies to that sad reality.

The movie is "based on a true story," but the fact that Edward Horman filed negligence and complicity charges against all the embassy officials, some military personnel, and Henry Kissinger himself, bears the weight of the implied allegations.

Jack Lemmon has done his profession a great service. In the midst of the almost continuous flow of drivel coming out of Hollywood with few exceptions, Lemmon has chosen to recognize reality and present it in a substantially powerful way. In essence, he reminds us that motion pictures are included in the First Amendment and are viable, supposedly uncensorable sources of information.

Fine arts call board

PERFORMANCE ART

Rachel Rosenthal, creator of "Instant Theatre," and noted performance artist will present her work tonight in the LAVC Art Gallery at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

THEATRE

"Gaslight" will have its final showing this weekend. The performance presented in the Horseshoe Theatre (LAVC) will continue through tonight at 8:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday same time. Admission is \$2. For reservations call 781-1200, ext. 351. See review of play in today's entertainment page.

MUSIC: SAXOPHONE QUARTET

The Saxophone Quartet will play at the Music Recital Hall today at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, March 2, the Los Angeles Valley College Symphony Orchestra will perform in the Monarch Hall at 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 4, The Double Bass Ensemble will perform in the Music Recital Hall at 11 a.m.

PLANETARIUM: DEATH OF A STAR

Tomorrow, at 7:30 p.m. the last show of "Black Holes" will be presented by Stephen Fentress in the Planetarium. Admission \$1. for adults; 75 cents for children, Gold Card holders, free.

FILM: THE ANTI-HANDGUN FILM

"The American Handgun War" will be shown today at 11 a.m. in C.100, and tomorrow at 11 a.m. in BSc 100. Students will be able to sign anti-handgun petitions at both showings.

TOMMY KING SHOW

The ASB has announced the indefinite cancellation of Tommy King's show for Saturday, Feb. 27, in LAVC Monarch Hall at 8 p.m.

Book portrays psychic battle

'Driver' is the start for Winter

By MARIELLA ROTONDI
Entertainment Editor

"During the heavy rain which fell in '79, I was feeling as if someone was calling out for help," says Pat Winter of the experience which shaped her first novel, "Driver."

"It was raining when I got into my car and heard the voice of a man scream for help as near as the empty backseat," says Winter, a former journalist and Valley College teacher.

"I went to an old friend who has known me for a long time, and told her the story, she said I should write about it so I did," says Winter with an electrifying expression in her eyes.

"Driver" an outstanding thriller, involves the subject of telepathy, as a man and a woman fight a psychic battle for control; two entities, one body, who will win, or will there be a winner?

In "Driver," Valentine, a young, innocent Hollywood actress experiences a dream, on three consecutive nights, of a car crashing in a storm. The

same images haunt her, as she searches for the answers she learns that the man she is hearing is the victim of an accident which has left him alive, but with an uninhabitable body.

"When I started writing this book, I thought I'd have to do a lot less research than I actually did," says Winter.

"I spent months reading new material about telepathy and combined subjects. In my book, I list some material one can read if interested in the subject," she says.

To this day Winter has not yet finished her research. She has five or six books on the subject which she is reading, to prepare herself for a radio show she'll be doing to promote "Driver."

"My research involved finding out the state of where we are and what our psychic ability is," says Winter, swaying her salt-pepper and mane away from her eyes.

"If you are interested in the subject of telepathy, and want to get it in an entertainment form, and you want what you read to

be exact as can be, than this novel is a nice intro to it," says the author.

"It was education for myself," says Winter. "I thought it would be easy to research, instead if only lead me to ask more questions about our psyche, such as do we survive death? If we can astral-project out of our body, then we survive," she says pausing for a second.

Pat McGraw Winter has enjoyed a long standing career as a journalist working for The San Diego Union as a reporter, and was an on-air reporter for KFWB news radio in Los Angeles.

Winter has been published in numerous science fiction publications. She is also the author of "Someone I touched," a 1975 TV movie (ABC) starring Cloris Leachman and Gabe Kaplan.

"What I am interested in doing is creating new material contributing to the body not only of our literature, but to the body of our knowledge. I believe in using our medium. To me it is just an

extension of what we are," says the author.

Winter, who holds a masters degree in TV news, and a BA in journalism, is currently on a temporary leave from Valley College. She has been teaching an article writing class at Valley for the last seven years. She is now planning to fly to New York to promote "Driver."

"I was inspired to write the story of 'Driver' to therapeutically try and rid myself of the voice, and I also wanted to give you a little chill," she says smiling with mysterious eyes.

Winter is presently working on a novel called "Snow Girl," which is about big foot. Last summer she traveled to British Columbia where she did extensive research for this new novel. "I plan to go up to Arkansas and finish this novel in the summer," says Winter only too anxious to get back to her writing.

"Driver" can be purchased at the LAVC book store, located next to Monarch Hall.



SUPER SLEUTH Alain Wasserman (left) tracks a killer stalking Pam Stept (right) in VCP's "Gaslight," tonight through Saturday night in the



Horseshoe Theatre.

Star Photos By NAN GENIT and DENNIS JASSO

'Gaslight' becomes lavish thriller

Production survives the pre-show blues

By MIKE BRAILER
Assoc. Editor

And now, another chapter of "Cast in Crisis," the continuing saga of the Valley College Players' production of "Gaslight," now in its last nights in LAVC's Horseshoe Theatre.

In our last episode (Star, Feb. 4), we left daredevil director Tracy Friedman and her intrepid company in serious trouble indeed. "Gaslight" opened last week without the Horseshoe's overhead lighting gridwork, with jittery rookie Pam Stept in the lead role, and all in the shadow of the Hollywood Playhouse's big-budget production of the same show, which opened simultaneously downtown.

What did fate hold for our hapless heroes? Could "Gaslight" survive?

We can all breathe a sign of relief. At a pre-opening preview last week, "Gaslight" survived in style.

Under Tracy Friedman's direction, Patrick Hamilton's "Gaslight," while flawed, was a lavish, suspenseful, thriller, about a cat-and-mouse murder investigation in Victorian England.

As Inspector Rough, Alain Wasserman painted an engrossing picture of a man obsessed, as he tracked down a killer stalking Stept, a young newlywed. James Miller added a touch of mystery as Stept's wicked husband.

Stept was a breathless, wide-eyed wonder in her stage debut. If she had any qualms about her performance, she didn't bring them onstage with her.

Friedman showed a good com-

mand of the Horseshoe Theater, as she kept the actors on their feet and moving through Hamilton's talky script. She had less success with the play itself, however, allowing the play's tense edge to dull in some moments.

The best achievement by far was the lighting, credited simply to "G.F." Whoever this elusive

electrician may be, he tackled the formidable task of lighting solely from the stage's perimeter with great success.

"Gaslight" also featured a delightful Nancy Kaine as a mischievous housekeeper with a pea-soup Cockney accent, Peter Ackerman, a bit hammy as a handyman, and Perry Lambert.

"Gaslight" continues tonight

through Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2 (VCP offers no student discount) and can be reserved by calling 781-1200, ext. 351.

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Proposal for the enlargement of athletic training room now under consideration

By GREGORY POTTER
Staff Writer

A proposal made last January calling for the consolidation of two athletic training rooms into one in the Men's Gymnasium is being considered by Mary Ann Breckell, Dean of Administrative Services.

Mike Norris, athletic trainer at Los Angeles Valley College since Fall '81, feels that training conditions do not adequately meet the needs of student athletes.

"The training rooms are used toward the rehabilitation, protection, and care of injuries," Norris said, adding that not as many people who need treatment can receive it due to "limited" space in the facilities.

Norris, the only full time trainer at Valley, estimates that between 25 and 30 student athletes each are treated in therapy sessions, lasting an average of 30 minutes each. These sessions involve the use of ice packs, whirlpools, tapings, massages, and other treatments

"as necessary."

The men's and women's athletic departments each have their own training room. Currently, Norris and three student assistants administer most treatments in the men's facility because it is the larger of the two.

However, Norris said "there's no room for exercising or treatment tables. Often there is a long wait because we get backed up."

To create a spacious training facility, George Goff, men's athletic director proposes to convert the "drying" off room next to the men's showers.

Using this "waste of space" as Norris called it, "would be ideal." He indicated that a room large enough to treat up to 20 athletes at a time would be "practical."

Plans include partitioning off the training room from the men's locker room and drawing from nearby plumbing and electricity to "provide the bare essentials," Norris said.

A similar proposal for a new training room was made years ago by a former trainer. Breckell, then an Administrative Services coordinator, recalls, "We never really took a hard look at it. Today, the science and art of athletic training is progressing."

"The training area definitely needs more room," Breckell said. "We're looking into costs."

Breckell explained that 80 to 85 percent of funding to community colleges comes through the state and that it would be "difficult" to estimate how recent state budget cutbacks would affect allotments to Valley College.

"Right now, basic necessities such as general plumbing and electricity are in competition with this worthwhile project," she stated.

To hold costs down, Norris suggested using volunteer builders and materials. Breckell said that although donated materials would be welcomed, Los Angeles Community College

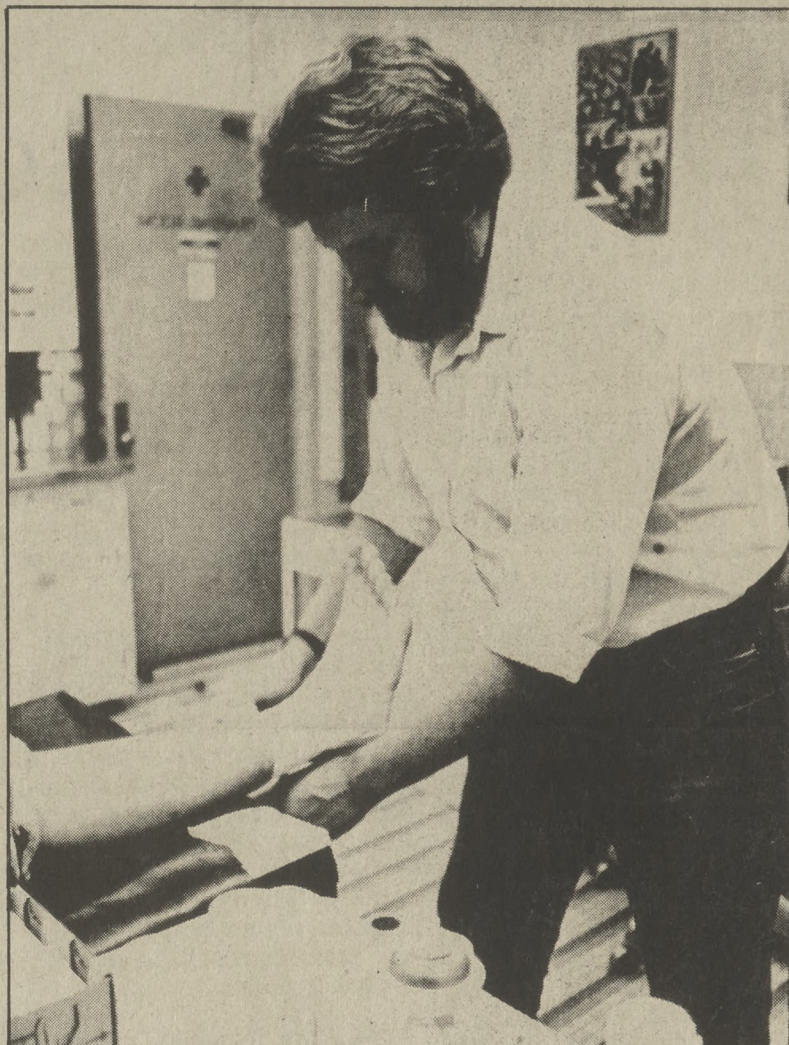
District building codes imply that volunteer contractors be fully licensed and bonded by the state. Ultimately, their work would be subject to inspection and approval by the district.

Breckell suggested using paid "school craftsmen" to construct a "durable" facility. "If the project is done, it may as well be done right the first time," she said.

No cost projection for the project has been arrived at yet, but Breckell is hopeful. "If both the men's and women's athletic departments agree (on the facility) chances are we'll go ahead with it."

Trainer Mike Norris, who holds an M.A. degree in sports medicine and served as assistant trainer at CSU Fullerton, is seeking to revive classes in athletic training. Though these classes attracted little student enrollment before his arrival, Norris is confident that this will change.

"I could get 20 students to sign up tomorrow."



VALLEY'S ATHLETIC TRAINER Mike Norris hopes to have training facility enlarged so that athletes can be treated more efficiently.
Star Photo By NAN GENIT

Gymnastics competition is dominated by Vincelli

By WYNTER MORGAN
Staff Writer

The Women's Gymnastic Team at LAVC scored an 89.95 in their first meet of the season Friday, Feb. 19, in the Women's Gym. The opposing team, Long Beach City College, last year's conference champions, won the meet by scoring 102.75.

Friday's competition was dominated by Coleen "Toddie" Vincelli who won three of the four events; vault, parallel bars, and the floor exercises. Vincelli plans on "tightening up her routines for the next competition."

Missing from valley's team this meet were Dede Drexler and top-ranking gymnast Alison Lowe. Their absence was especially noticeable during the scoring process of team events.

These events rate each girl individually on a point scale which ranges from one to ten and upon completion of the event, the four highest scores are tabulated to obtain an overall rating of the team.

Due to Lowe and Drexler's

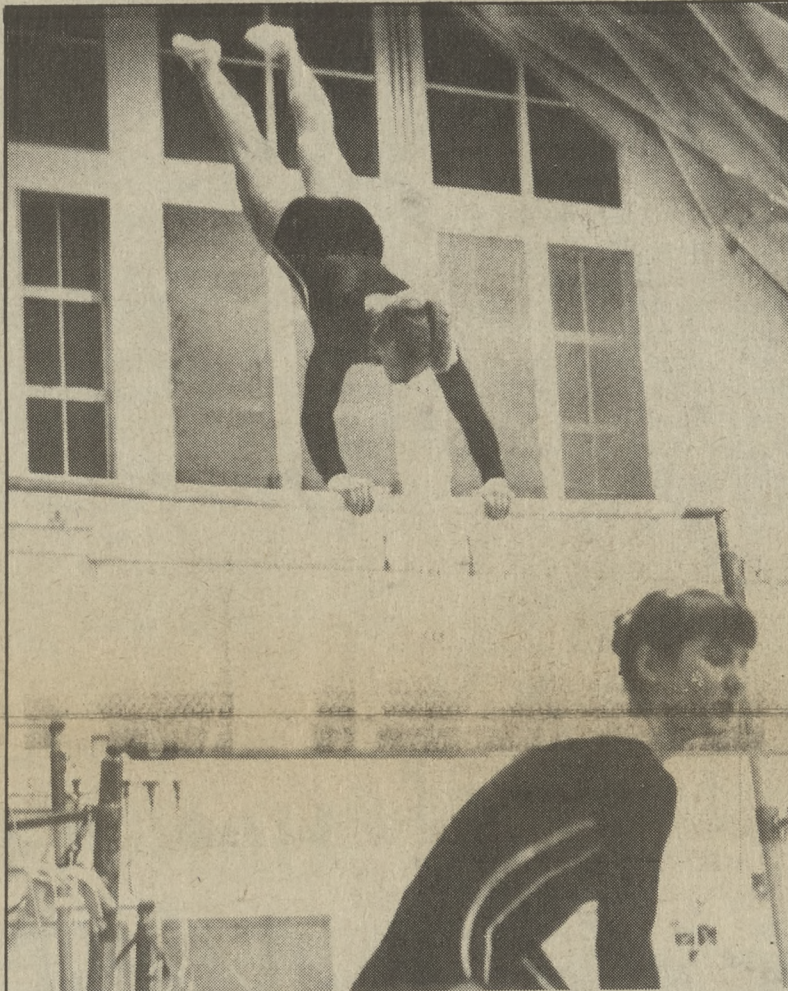
absence there were only three girls from Valley competing in the balance beam and vaulting events which caused a possible loss of twenty points.

Janine Williams women's gymnastics coach received her AA degree from Valley and then went on to California State University, Northridge for four years to attain her Teacher's Diploma.

Williams has been involved in gymnastics since she was 15 years old. Although she never had Olympic aspirations, she did work out six days a week at a private club, and with "more dedication than average," eventually began coaching.

Drexler and Lowe will be back competing in the next meet.

Williams believes this is the best team Valley has had during her three seasons of coaching here. Williams plans on "going all the way" with the team and winning the Metro Conference this year. The winning team and the top six gymnasts at the completion of the conference will go to the State Competition.



"Best team in three seasons!" Coleen "Toddie" Vincelli finishes her routine on the parallel bars, (in which she took first place), as Leslie Lepard (bottom) gets ready for the next event.
Star Photo By NAN GENIT

Personality profile

Student gives all to achieve potential

By RITA SAKAJIAN
Staff Writer

"If you want to be good, you have to set your goals and work as hard as you possibly can," said Sue Patterson, a member of LAVC's Women's Basketball and Track Teams.

This is Patterson's first semester and she already has her coaches raving about her. "She's one of the best 1/4 milers that I can remember within the

last four years," complimented James Harvey, Patterson's sprint track coach. "I always find her at full speed . . . she's always ahead of pace even though she's doing double workouts," added Harvey, (referring to the fact that she is a member of both the teams). He also stated that she has a chance to break the school's record in the 1/4 mile "if she runs to her potential."

She began running in ninth grade while attending St. Genevieve High School where she broke her school's record with a long jump of 15 feet and 11 inches.

"My goal right now in track is to lower my time in the 440 meter to 58 seconds in addition to qualifying for the state competition," said Patterson.

When speaking of Patterson, John Stark, her basketball coach

stated that she is an excellent student and a real competitive player. "She has great potential and gives me 110 per cent (effort) on the court."

Patterson hopes to make her life's work as a physical therapist.

She lives at home with her parents and brother. "My family has always given me help and support and has encouraged me to do the best I can," she stated.

Some of Patterson's outside interests include water-skiing and camping. "I wish I had more time to enjoy them," she stated.



DIVERSIFIED INTERESTS Sue Patterson, 1/4 miler and high jumper on the Women's Track team, is also one of the top players on the Women's Basketball team.
Star Photos By JEFFREY FIELDS



Weekly game plan

Results:

Badminton			
2/19	vs. San Diego Mesa	won	13-9
Baseball			
2/18	vs. Santa Monica	won	8-5
2/20	vs. Antelope Valley	won	9-7
2/23	vs. Orange Coast	lost	8-4
Basketball-Men's			
2/17	vs. Pierce	won	70-59
2/19	vs. Pasadena	lost	82-79
Basketball-Women's			
2/19	vs. College of the Canyons	won	48-43
2/23	vs. Alumni	lost	65-59
Gymnastics-Women's			
2/19	vs. Long Beach	lost	102.75 - 89.95
Softball			
2/17	vs. Fullerton	lost	16-0
2/22	vs. Orange Coast	lost	6-0
Swimming-Men's and Women's			
2/19	Santa Monica Relays (Of 10 positions)	Men placed 8th, Women placed 5th	
2/23	vs. Ventura	Men; won 53-51, Women; won 95-34	
Volleyball			
2/19	vs. East L.A. (Best of 5 games)	lost	3-2

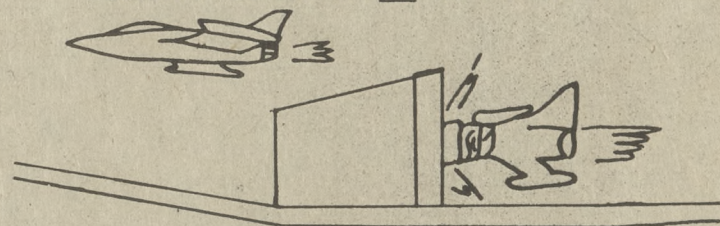
Upcoming Events

Badminton			
2/26	vs. Orange Coast at O.C.		2:30 p.m.
3/2	vs. Citrus at Valley		3 p.m.
3/4	vs. Golden West at Golden West		3 p.m.
Baseball			
2/27	vs. Santa Ana at Valley		2 noon
3/2	vs. Fullerton at Valley		2 p.m.
3/4	vs. Mission at Mission		2:30
Basketball-Women's			
3/4	vs. El Camino at El Camino		3:30 p.m.
Softball			
2/26	vs. San Diego Mesa at Valley		1 p.m.
3/3	vs. Mt. Saint Antonio at Valley		3 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL			
2/27	USVBA Tournament	Location T.B.A.	All Day

Corrections

We would like to rectify an error in last weeks paper . . . The diver in the "Kelly Carney" profile was misidentified and was in fact, not Carney but Kim Cole. Sorry girls!

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Disabled praise "Flyer"

By LEE J. SOSKIN
Staff Writer

Shirley Berg, a returning student at Los Angeles Valley College, made the dean's list last June. She was invited to the Dean's Tea.

Mike Pearson, a Valley College freshman from Cleveland High School, is beginning to pursue a career in Speech Communication.

Michael Frimmel, a Monroe High School graduate, is working toward a degree in business administration.

All are handicapped.

All give thanks this year to the Phoenix Flyer.

A seven-seat van that runs on six 6-volt batteries which are recharged at night, the Phoenix Flyer makes hourly runs around the Valley College campus. "We are the only school in the nine-college system to have a scheduled shuttle," boasts George Kopoulos, coordinator of handicapped students for the college. "At East L.A. they have a taxi on call, driven by one of

their paid interpreters; at West L.A. they have a van to and from the parking lot; and Pierce has a van on call, with a hydraulic lift for wheelchairs."

Pearson, the very first person to ride the Flyer, says, "I would not be able to take as many classes if I had to go on my crutches. The campus is so large, it would take more than the allotted ten minutes to get from class to class."

The Phoenix, in operation since October, was beset by problems at the start. Purchased by State funds last summer, it needed safety modifications before it could be used for the handicapped. Then the gate motor on its trailer was stolen. The driver, working an eight hour shift, must be hired from a list of eligibles, not necessarily having any experience or training with the handicapped.

"We are fortunate indeed to have hired Don Kerian, who is sensitive to their needs," says

Kopoulos. Kerian, a jazz musician and amateur photographer, enjoys his relationship with the students he serves. "They are friendly, cheerful and do not have chips on their shoulders," he says. "We have hooks on the back of the van for four wheelchairs, and I am strong, so I don't mind lifting the chairs on and helping the students get into the seats."

"I get lost sometimes," says newly-blinded Frimmel. "Don knows where I am and where to take me to my next class."

Kerian's only rule for a five mile an hour ride is that every passenger must wear a seat belt. "Normies," as the handicapped students refer to the rest of the world, are not eligible to ride the flyer.

"Now that I know about this," says Berg, who suffered a knee injury during the summer, "I can return to school next year."

And she and the dean raise their cups in a toast to the Phoenix Flyer.



ALL SMILES Don Kerian, driver of the Phoenix Flyer, waits patiently for passengers.

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Kopoulos: Twelfth year of service to disabled students at Valley

By CHERYL RUPPEL
Staff Writer

Glancing eastward out of the window of his office in the Administration Building, George Kopoulos gasped. Wide-eyed as his adrenalin-shocked heart began to pound, he stood frozen for an instant as he watched a wheelchair-bound young man career uncontrollably off the edge of the elevated walkway outside the Valley College bookstore.

As the chair and student became airborne, he bolted out of the door and sprinted toward the scene, his mind racing to analyze the severity of the emerging consequences. He arrived to find David Lichtenstein a bit shaken as good samaritans mopped blood from his mouth, now missing two front teeth. But Kopoulos was admiringly reassured as David light-heartedly looked up and said, "I guess I goofed!"

It was shortly after this event that Kopoulos, coordinator of handicapped students at LAVC, proudly surveyed the construction of the first of many wheelchair ramps throughout the campus. It brought him closer to his goal of total campus accessibility for all disabled students.

Kopoulos, born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has been a Californian for the past 35 years. Christmas marks his 37th wedding anniversary and he brags proudly of his three grand-

children. He's an energetic bear-of-a-man with a thick shock of black-flecked white hair and a moustache to match. His office is a disheveled array of countless books, papers, and folders only to be outdone by banners and citations rivaling for wall space. It soon becomes apparent, however, that indeed everything is in its proper place and there are indexes and cross references to prove it.

In 1958, Kopoulos held LAVC's first outreach classes at Olive-view Hospital which were even broadcast to immobilized students' bedsides. Campus programs for handicapped students were initiated under his guidance in 1970 and included workshops, seminars, and counselling opportunities for faculty and students alike. "People with physical limitations are human beings who can achieve great and wonderful things," said Kopoulos. He feels that with the "permission" of the student body, the disabled students can intermingle well into the mainstream of campus life.

From the Office of Handicapped Students comes low-key press releases as well as in-service education to keep the lines of communication open between school officials. New ideas or problems are discussed and information is updated. Also, the Los Angeles Community College District has a unique system of peer evaluation of the facilities and programs offered

to disabled students by the nine colleges. Kopoulos is an active participant in this audit of legal standards as well as campus and community services. "I am never satisfied with the amount of things being done for the handicapped students. I become frustrated with communication breakdowns and financial cutbacks."

Kopoulos fears that there is an "ebb of ambition in today's new breed of youth raised in an environment of abundance." When asked if this made him admire the ambitious, motivated handicapped students with whom he comes in contact, Kopoulos replied, "I respect and admire all people and see them as equals. I refuse to have tunnel vision."

A past president of Rotary International, Kopoulos' chapter co-sponsors the Roteract Club on campus. All students 18 to 28 years of age are eligible to join. Kopoulos encourages handicapped students to participate so that they may help others and join in providing needed services at many campus events.

Harold Moore, a student in Afro-American studies, often feels lonely. Confined to a wheelchair, he says that many students shy away, judging him to be less than "normal." He smiled proudly, however, as he displayed a blue book exam sporting an "A" grade. He hoped his fellow classmates would accept him now. Of his visits to Kopoulos' office Moore says, "I feel good about the help I received there." Moore also says he thinks that Kopoulos "sets the tone of the department and will do whatever it takes to help people."

The smiling Kopoulos says, "There isn't a morning, no matter how I feel, that I don't want to come to work." However, he said, "My goal is to put myself out of business." He would like to see the needs of all students met equally by all who are involved in LAVC operations. He would like administrators, counselors, and teachers to learn sign language and be trained to counsel handicapped students. He would like to see more sports events for the disabled student. With LAVC 90% barrier-free, Kopoulos nears his goal of total campus accessibility. His dream is to see this expanded to include special housing close to the campus.

To George Kopoulos, the primary goal is to help others. "I hope to lift the yokes of dependency. If anyone seeks a helping hand, I provide an open door, offer guidance, assistance, and information, and then I let go of the hand. Nothing is forced. I wait for the asking."

By SALMA RODRIGUEZ

Staff Writer

Vintie Hickey and Judy Rittenhouse fund-raising chairpersons for the volunteer League of San Fernando Valley talked about the fatal experience of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) last week at LAVC.

The workshop revolved around a film which explained that both parents as well as physician, most of the time, are not aware of the alcohol problem and tend to blame child defects on genetics.

Research done over previous years has proved that alcohol is the third major cause of birth defects, in the U.S. These birth defects in the U.S. These birth call fetal alcohol syndrome.

Even though researchers know that alcohol can produce irreversible effects in the unborn child, it is not yet exactly

known how much of this beverage during pregnancy is needed to endanger the developing baby.

It is believed that three or more ounces of pure alcohol, the equivalent to almost one six-pack of beer a day, are likely to increase the chances of harm to the baby, depending also on the mother's alcohol blood level, which is far more important than how much alcohol is introduced into the body.

Children born with FAS tend to have disturbing mental, physical, and behavioral abnormalities, such as mental retardation, poor coordination, heart defects, several face irregularities, slow growth, and are very hyperactive. These are some of the many abnormalities a FAS child inherits or is exposed to during the first two or three

months of development caused by alcohol during pregnancy, and the ones that will make him or her different and unable to catch up with normal children, even if he or she is improving in his or her learning abilities and skills.

Does an alcoholic father contribute to the FAS of a child? The answer is still unknown, but it is most likely to be no, since the mother is the only one to decide what goes into her organism and her baby's organism. There are decisions and crisis that only the mother can create, and only she can stop.

The conference which was attended by half a dozen persons, primarily women, was sponsored by the S/He center and arranged by Valley Womens Center.

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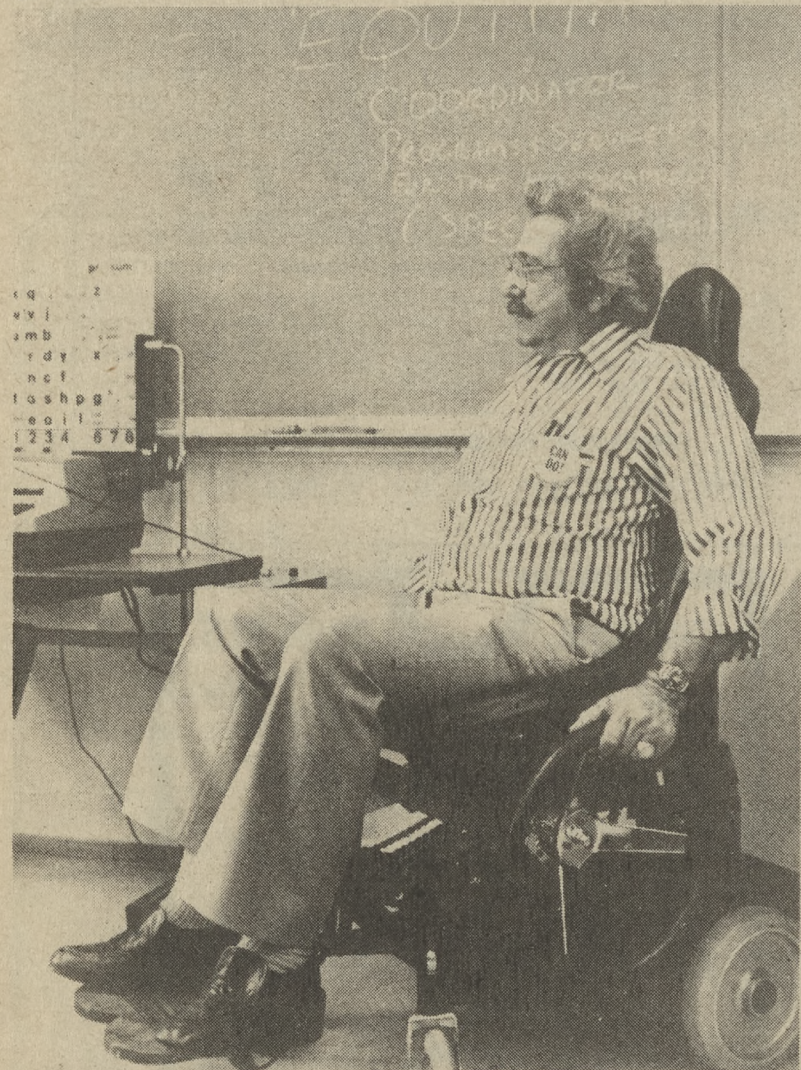
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